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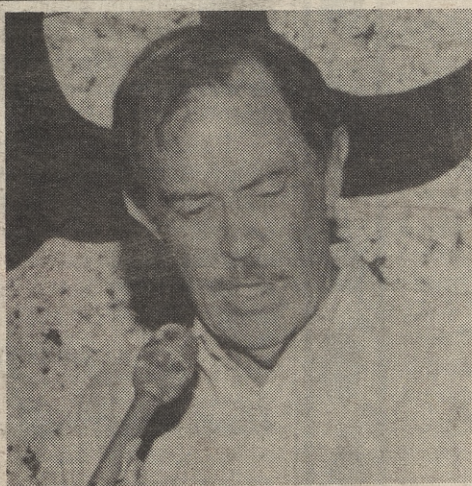
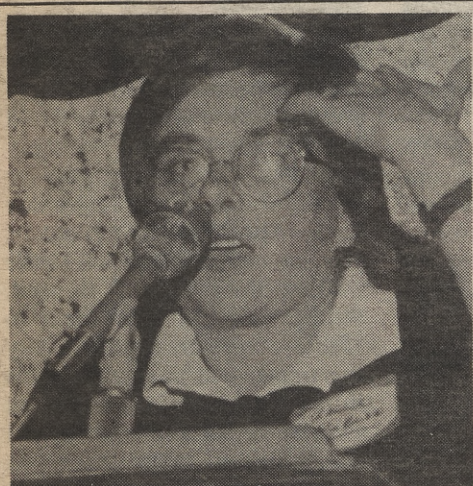
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## SLCC Sponsored Separatist Forum

SLCC (Sacramento Lesbians Creating Change) held a separatist forum at the Townhouse with panel members Laurie McBride, Lee Nichols, Teresa Corrigan and Lou Camera.



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## write

### Endorsing Candidates

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to criticism the California Capital Political Action Committee has received about our decision as a bipartisan political action committee to rate Pete Wilson as an "acceptable" candidate for governor.

We are all furious at Wilson's veto of AB-101. It is a slap in the face of the community.

But, that is with hindsight. When we reviewed the records and written statements of the candidates for governor, before the election, we had every reason to believe that Wilson was supportive and would sign legislation to protect lesbians and gay men from discrimination. Wilson sent us a letter stating that he abhorred discrimination of every kind. While he was mayor of San Diego he hired openly gay and lesbian people to work with him. He had openly gay and lesbian staff members. It was based on those assurances that we decided to rate him "acceptable." At the same time, we endorsed Dianne Feinstein in her race for the governorship, reflecting our assessment that she was the stronger of the two candidates on lesbian and gay issues.

We are a lesbian and gay politi-

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cal action committee that was specifically created to combine the strength and resources of Democrats and Republicans. Those of us who are life-long Democrats, myself included, believed and continue to believe that we have a stronger voice when we unite with Republicans who are working to guide the Republican party to recognize the rights of lesbians and gay men to be treated with dignity and to be free from arbitrary discrimination.

CAP/PAC is a young organization. We need your help to move ahead together. Join us in our quest to make gay rights a reality.

**Carolyn Langenkamp**  
CAP/PAC Co-Chair

### Fighting Oppression

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to an item reported in your, "It's A Queer World" Column (11-1-91 issue), under the sub-heading, "Olympic Try-Outs". This item described child molestation incidents which, reportedly, involved a male youth athletic coach and three teenage boys. The description of these incidents made it clear that what occurred was child molestation in the classic sense. An adult abused his position of power, coercing teenage boys into sexual activity by using promises of rewards.

I would expect that sexual victimization would be reported as serious news. Instead, it is written up by your writer, "Rumple-fore-skin", as something to laugh about (as is clearly the intention of this particular column). Sexual victimization is never a laughing matter, whatever the gender or age of the victims may be. Our community consists of a wide variety of people, including molest survivors. To report molestation in such a light-hearted manner is to trivialize the serious impact of sexual victimization. This is no more excusable than trivializing the effects of racism, sexism or homophobia.

I fail to see why this item was even deemed appropriate for a column titled, "It's A Queer World" in a gay newspaper. I can only assume that since the coach and the victims are all male, that the writer identifies the coach as gay? In reality, the majority of child molesters (even in same-gender molest) are heterosexually-identified. I never thought I'd have to make this point to a reported for a gay newspaper! The lesbian and gay community has spent decades educating the general public that "gay" does not mean, "child molester". This is the vicious stereotype that is the unspoken reasoning behind the Boy Scouts and Big Brother Organizations discriminating against us. It is no more acceptable for our own newspaper to perpetuate the same vicious lie, albeit through implication.

I sincerely hope that MGW continues to stand behind its commitment to fighting oppression and homophobia, and that this piece of reporting was an isolated incident of insensitivity and poor judgement.

**Janice Eastburn**

### Men Wanted!

Dear Editor:

First, I would like to congratulate the Lavender Angels for receiving the Lambda Award.

Now for the purpose of this letter. As you know, there is a need

to do a patrol in "Lavender Heights" because of hate crimes against gay people. Now for the problem. The Lavender Angels is made up of mostly women from the gay community and a few men, from which I am one of a handful of proud men to serve in the organization. This effort is mostly one-sided. I am appalled by the lack of male participation in the effort to keep the streets safe for all homosexuals. The men are the people who benefit most from this effort from the Angels, so where are they? Why don't they participate?

It should also be noted that the Lavender Angels have accomplished their goal of stopping all gay related hate crimes in the area. Thank you for a job well done!!!

Sincerely,  
**Giancarlo Fontanot**

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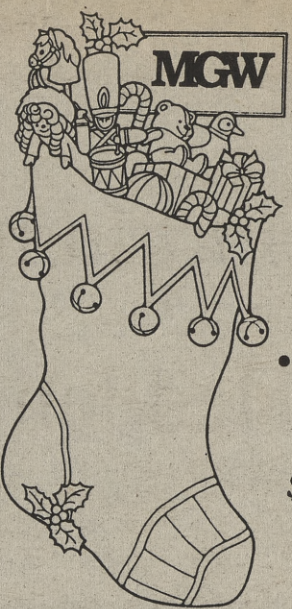
Sincerely,  
**Jim McRitchie**  
Member of the Board  
Church/Co-op Credit Union

### Youth Thanks Lavendar Angels

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank the entire community of gays for their amazing drive to change the seemingly unchangeable and make the world just that much better. As a gay youth today, things are so easy for me that I can almost forget that there is a problem at all! Almost a year ago, my girlfriend and I were walking along, false ID in hand, through a parking lot next to "Faces". We were approached by two women with Lavendar Angels shirts, and asked if we needed an escort to the bar across the street! I would like to thank those two women, and all other adults who make it an absolute pleasure to be gay in 1991. All your efforts combined really do make a difference!

Thank you very much,  
**Erin Medeiros**



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## Grant Awards

San Francisco, CA -- The Horizons Foundation, the nation's oldest community-based lesbian and gay grantmaking foundation, announced grants in the amount of \$21,771 made to:

**Bay Area Lesbian-Feminist Bar Association** - \$700 for technical equipment to produce a quarterly newsletter for lesbian attorneys within the Greater Bay Area.

**Bay Area Video Coalition/The Maud's Project** - \$2,000 to transfer rare photos depicting lesbian life from the 1940's through the present; the documentary "Last Call At Maud's," a film specifically focussed on lesbian culture, will use material from the archives.

**Lesbian Uprising** - \$2,000 to assist in the expansion and distribution of a quarterly calendar and newsletter, which focuses on education and coalition building around lesbian/feminist issues, in the San Francisco Bay Area.

**Operation Concern/Lavender Youth and Recreation Center (LYRIC)** - \$2,000 to promote a health and leadership training program for young lesbians in the San Francisco Bay Area.

**Options For Women Over 40** - \$1,000 toward facilitator costs of a support group for midlife lesbians.

**San Mateo Battered Women's Services** - \$2,610 to create the first support group for battered lesbians in San Mateo County.

**Sand-Bar Productions** - \$1,500 to assist "Cancer In Two Voices," a documentary about the experiences of a lesbian with breast cancer and her partner.

**Spinsters Book Company** - \$3,961 for the purchase of technical equipment to complete the desktop publishing system.

**Theatre Rhinoceros** - \$3,000 to develop workshops for ten emerging lesbian of color playwrights. Address issues of lesbian self-identity and lesbian cultural diversity.

For further information on the granting program or to learn how your gift or bequest can assist the lesbian and gay community, please call the Horizons Foundation at (415) 398-2333, or write Horizons Foundation, 870 Market Street, suite 488, San Francisco, CA 94102. ▼

## Russia, France Join Parents Flag Network

Parents in Russia and France will have support from the International Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays as a result of outreach efforts in Paris by P-FLAG National President Paulette Goodman and in Leningrad and Moscow by Program Director Laurie Coburn. This boosts the Parents FLAG international network to eight countries in addition to the U.S. and Canada.

In Paris, to attend family celebrations, Goodman was interviewed by *Gai Pied* and *Lesbia*, two French magazines, and met with 14 Gay men and Lesbians and one mother who is willing to serve as a P-FLAG contact.

"There remains much work to be done, not only in the U.S., but internationally as well," said Goodman. My conversation with families and friends made me aware of the great need for P-FLAG groups in France, even though it is perceived to be a liberal country. Except for the commonly heard derogatory remarks, homosexuality remains a taboo subject. Parents FLAG is prepared to provide information and strategies to concerned families to launch a French counterpart."

As one of the 70 American Delegates to the International Symposium and Film Festival held July 23 through August 2 in Russia, Coburn spoke at workshops and plenary sessions and met privately with gays and lesbians and their parents. With U.S. and Soviet delegates, she took part in a condom distribution held in front of the Moscow City Hall and the first Soviet Gay and Lesbian Rights Demonstration, held on the steps of the Bolshoi Ballet.

"I was touched by the many Russian young people who clearly longed for affirmation from their parents and were hungry for help in coming out. Their expressions of love and gratitude for P-FLAGs presence at the symposium was almost overwhelming," said Coburn, who distributed P-FLAG buttons donated by the Washington Metropolitan Area chapter and 300 copies of a Russian translation of the Parents FLAG booklet, "About Our Children," along with copies of the summer, 1990 P-FLAGpole featuring Barbara

bush's letter to Goodman in support of the Federation.

A feminist publisher in Leningrad and a Moscow therapist volunteered to initiate the organization of Parents FLAG chapters. Both have resources available for translating and publishing P-FLAG literature and will serve as contacts for parents needing support.

The Federation of Parents FLAG is a tax-exempt, non-profit network of support groups founded in 1981 to help families learn to understand, accept, and respect their gay and lesbian members; and to advocate for the civil and human rights of lesbians and gay men. P-FLAGs outreach is to members of over 270 local chapters and information help lines, and countless others who hear of the Federation's work through print and broadcast media.

Readers who wish to receive a packet of information about Parents FLAG may do so by sending \$3 to the Office of Family and Chapter Support, Box 27605, Washington, D.C. 20038. ▼

## Library To House Gay Archives

by Keith Clark  
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO -- City officials announced the creation of the nation's first lesbian/gay archive to be widely available to the general population as part of the new San Francisco Public Library slated to be completed here in 1995. The high-tech Gay and Lesbian Center at the library will include a comprehensive research, literary, historical and archival collection, officials said. Initial contributions to the library's Gay and Lesbian Center will include 80 boxes of photos, videotape, film, interviews, news footage and manuscripts donated by film maker Rob Epstein, the two-time Academy Award winner for his documentaries "The Times of Harvey Milk" and "Common Threads" about the Names Project's AIDS Quilt.

Similar material is also being donated by film maker Peter Adair, whose best-known film, "Word is Out," documents the experience of being openly gay. Adair's second documentary film, "Absolutely Positive," is slated for release this February.

Author and journalist Randy Shilts has also donated more than 170,000 manuscript pages of research, notes and other materials connected with his two books, "And the Band Played On" and "The Mayor of Castro Street." Shilts' material also includes other notes from his career in electronic and print journalism.

Shilts urged lesbians and gays to make provisions in their wills for donating important photographs, letters and other documents to the library's collection. "We're losing too many people to AIDS," Shilts said. "We can't lose our history, too."

The Gay and Lesbian Center will also be the library's first high-technology archive. Part of the new library's facilities will include a multi-million dollar computer imaging system to store the material on optical disks. The new computer storage and retrieval system will be inaugurated with materials being donated to the Gay and Lesbian Center and is intended to prevent theft and deterioration of materials as well as making them simultaneously available at any of several computer terminals throughout the new library as well as at branch libraries in the city. ▼

## FDA to Approve Drugs Faster

Federal drug regulators pledged to shorten the ten-year bureaucratic obstacle course that new drugs must clear on their way from the test tube to availability in drug stores. The Food & Drug Administration says it will create a "fast track" for drugs to treat AIDS, cancer, Alzheimer's, and other life-threatening ailments--hastening them with an eleven-step overhaul from ten years to five and a half years for most drugs, and seven years for others. ▼

## Large Attendance Projected for H2H Benefit

Christmas takes on a special meaning this year as more and more Sacramentans want to do something special for people with AIDS in the community. Tom DesRosier's benefit on Sunday, December 22, 4-7 pm, at the Capitol Club (on the 25th floor of the Renaissance Building) is expected to draw a gala crowd. A formal dress cocktail party, with entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, new friends and old friends; donations at the door \$10, \$50, or whatever amount you wish to donate for Sacramento AIDS Foundation's Hand-to-Hand clients. Call 971-9331 for information and invitations. ▼

## Opinion: Reaction to Separatist Forum

On Monday night, November 18th, I attended an event sponsored by SLCC (Sacramento Lesbians Creating Change), which was billed as a discussion of Lesbian separatism, and the need for it.

What I witnessed was not a discussion at all, but an attempt at justification for criticism of any group that chooses a separatist stance as a part of their own agenda. I heard a lot about discrimination, a lot about classism, a lot about sexism, but very little about separatism. In fact, only one of the panelists made any attempt to define the term. Theresa Corrigan's critical point that "the need for separatism is situational" was completely ignored by those chairing the evening and the rest of the panel.

Part of the problem was that there was no serious moderator. There were people whom I thought were going to moderate, but they seemed, themselves, unable to stay with the topic. Then it dawned on me: the topic as announced was not the topic at all. SLCC was looking for a pat on the back for their attempts at "coalition building," a phrase I heard many times that evening. I have no quarrel with those who believe coalitions are necessary vehicles to further causes of oppressed groups. In fact, I have at times advocated them myself, and I know I will again. But the fact remains: there are large numbers of Lesbian women who do not feel completely safe, or completely free in a group containing men... any men, gay or straight. Perhaps the discussion that night should have started with some attempt at trying to understand why that is so, but more importantly, *why that is so threatening to others.*

Separatism, by definition, implies oppression exists. Those with power or privilege do not need to claim "separate space". They make the rules; exclusion of those they oppress is commonplace. One only needs to look at the various forms of discrimination practiced by our predominantly white heterosexual male power structure to see that this is so. The victims of oppression choose separatism as a means to gain freedom from control by others. If an oppressed group chooses to meet in the absence of their oppressors, do they not have that right? Shouldn't they be applauded for their willingness to come together at all, and their attempts at mutual support and nurturing? Can't that be viewed by the coalition builders as a step in ending individual isolation?

As long as we live in a patriarchy where women's roles are largely defined by men, I will support the call for separatism within the women's movement. There are times when it is an absolute necessity in order to move beyond the status quo. If SLCC is truly interested in building networks of organizations with common interests, they would do well to learn that it is not necessary for everyone to be in lock step with their thinking in order to contribute. There is room in the Sacramento Lesbian/Gay community for a variety of organizations, and a variety of lifestyles. Coalition building is never successful when there is an intolerance among the groups for each other's basic rights or diverse styles.

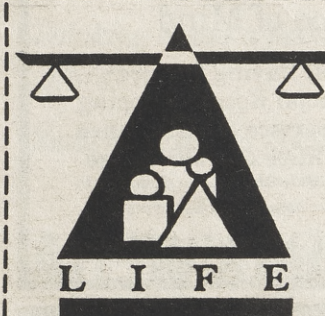
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# California Court Rules Gays Protected From Employer Bias

by Keith Clark  
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO--The California 1st District Court of Appeal has ruled that state labor laws bar private employers from discriminating based on an employee's sexual orientation. The ruling, the first time a state higher court has made such a ruling without narrow qualifications, comes almost exactly one month after Gov. Pete Wilson vetoed a state gay employment bias law, claiming that adequate protections already existed for California's lesbian and gay workers.

In a 3-0 decision, the court set up strict legal standards for pre-employment screening that the court said can only be justified by a "compelling interest" on the part of the employer. The ruling came

on the appeal of three applicants for a job as a security guard at Target Stores, a retail chain. An Alameda County Superior Court ruled last year that Dayton Hudson Corp., owner of Target, had a legal right to administer the pre-employment screening tests that had asked a series of true-false questions the three applicants said were offensive and irrelevant to their job qualifications.

"This case makes clear the job applicant does not hang up privacy rights at the door," said Brad Seligman, a well-known civil rights attorney who represented the three plaintiffs in the suit.

Seligman said the Appeal Court's ruling has the effect of requiring that employers show screening tests ask questions that relate only to job performance rather than probing into the private lives and emotional stability of potential

workers.

Among the true-false questions asked in the pre-employment screening by Target were: "I have never indulged in any unusual sex practices"; "I have had no difficulty in starting or holding my bowel movement"; "I am very strongly attracted by members of my own sex"; "I believe in the second coming of Christ"; and "I have often wished I were a girl."

Robert Millman, the attorney representing Target Stores, said his client would appeal the decision to the California Supreme Court. "The decision is at odds with the existing case law on pre-employment testing in California, and it departs from this appeals court's own precedent on this issue," Millman said. "The decision throws into question the legality not only of psychological testing but also of pre-employment drug testing."

In its ruling, the appeals court said employers need to show a "compelling interest" for administering any pre-employment tests - a

strict legal standard that often requires showing that the applicant would work in a job involving public safety or grave responsibility. The court also broke precedent in the case by ruling that job applicants have the same privacy rights as employees. In so doing, the appeals panel directly challenged a key 1989 California appeals court ruling that is widely interpreted as legalizing pre-employment drug tests.

The test used by Target in the case is the widely used Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory (MMPI), consisting of a battery of hundreds of true-false questions that psychologists say collectively render a mental profile of the person taking it.

But critics of MMPI, including now the appeals court, say one of the underlying premises of the test is itself flawed and biased. The court ruling found that questions about sexual orientation and religious beliefs were designed to eliminate people who do not subscribe

the "traditional values and mores." These, the court said, "have nothing to do with an applicant's suitability for employment."

Psychological tests like MMPI have been widely used in screening job applicants at police and fire departments for decades, but in recent years they have also begun to be standard pre-employment tools used by some private employers.

A spokesperson for Gov. Wilson's office said the appeals court ruling justified the governor's Sept. 28 veto of AB-101. Wilson had said in his veto message that the legislation was unnecessary because existing state law already afforded adequate protections.

Legal experts and rights activists disagreed with Wilson's office, however. While praising the appeals court ruling for his clients, Seligman said AB-101 detailed specific legal remedies for people discriminated against in the workplace which the court ruling did not do. ▼

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## How Prevalent Is AIDS in Heterosexuals?

Worldwide, heterosexual sex is the method of infection for 75 percent of all people with AIDS. Heterosexual transmission is almost completely responsible for the spread of AIDS in Africa, where an estimated six million people are HIV positive, and where 900,000 babies have been infected by their mothers, says the World Health Organization. They say 5,000 people a day are infected with the AIDS virus around the world. Their statistics show that as many as 10 million adults now are HIV positive, and that within the next nine years the number will rise to 40 million adults and children worldwide.

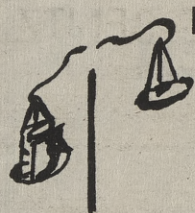
In this country, the number of cases of full-blown AIDS transmitted heterosexually since the beginning of the epidemic in 1981 is still small: only 10,900 cases of full-blown AIDS--out of nearly 200,000 cases reported. The New York City Health Department says it has been able to verify only twelve out of 30,000 adult males with AIDS as becoming infected from a woman with AIDS.

It's estimated, however, that

over 100,000 Americans are now HIV-positive who say they acquired the virus through heterosexual transmission. But these numbers are debatable, and may be high, because it's unknown how many of these people have had homosexual or drug experience that they don't want anyone to know about. But even these questionable numbers are showing an alarming trend as the numbers begin to escalate in this country also. In 1985, 250 people reported they developed AIDS heterosexually; last year alone, the number was 3,100.

Experts say the virus passes much more easily from a man to a woman (from a top to a bottom), because vaginal and anal membranes are delicate and can tear and bleed, thus opening the way for viral transmission. It's also thought

that there's more of the virus in a man's semen than in vaginal fluid. Additionally, traces of infected semen can remain in the recipient's body for days, thus giving the virus plenty of time to work. This left-behind semen exposes heterosexual women to a relatively large volume of infectious material for a prolonged period of time and makes women much more vulnerable to transmission than men. Another confusing aspect of transmission is that of "supertransmitters." Some people seem to infect every person with whom they have intercourse, while studies have found some women have had unprotected sex thousands of times with their infected husbands and have never become infected. It's simply not yet known what makes one strain more infectious than another. ▼



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## Gay Youth Novels Vanish From School Libraries

SAN RAMON, Calif.--As the American Library Association began its preparations for the National Banned Books Week, school librarians in Contra Costa County across the Bay from San Francisco, are shocked and angered to find their own schools charged with suppressing two gay novels aimed at young readers.

Rob Birle of BANGLE (the Bay Area Network of Gay & Lesbian Educators), said the organization purchased copies of "Annie on My Mind" by Nancy Garden and "All-American Boys" by Frank Mosca and donated them to some 23 high schools in the county two years ago.

Birle said BANGLE contacted school librarians recently to see if they might be interested in receiving similar books in the future and to make sure the two that had already been donated were on the shelves. Birle found that most of the financially strapped school in fact were happy with the donated additions and had put them out for young readers.

But BANGLE also discovered that at four high schools in the San Ramon area the books had unaccountably disappeared in what BANGLE called "blatant censorship."

Jerry Grundhoffer, the director of secondary education for the San Ramon Valley Unified School District, called the charge "ridiculous" but was unable to account for what happened to the books in the schools in his district. Birle, a former art teacher in the county, said the two books were picked because they contained "nothing overtly sexual" and were "just young adult novels about coming of age." In fact the School Library Journal gave both books glowing reviews and called "Annie on My Mind" a "boon for young gay readers."

Despite the positive and non-controversial natures of the romantic novels, vice principals at four schools - Monte Vista High, San Ramon Valley High, Pittsburg High and California High - took the two books when they arrived at the schools to "examine" them. The books were never seen again by school librarians.

Librarians at a fourth school, Antioch High where Birle taught, said they never even saw the donated books and had no idea what happened to them. Ironically the school library had already purchased "Annie on My Mind" because of the positive reviews of the book. And the librarian there personally accepted a replacement copy of "All-American Boys" from Birle earlier in September when BANGLE began checking into what happened to their donated books. Librarians at Monte Vista High said they suspected their copies of the books had disappeared because anti-gay fundamentalists had complained about having the novels in the school. "We have some really strong fundamentalist people out here," said one Monte Vista High librarian. "I'll bet you they heard of this and immediately called the district office to complain."

The two novels had already been added to the library's shelves when, according to school sources, a vice principal had removed them and told the librarian not to allow "books of that kind" in the school.

Monte Vista High librarian Arla Stevens said that in response to her last inquiry about the books she had gotten a note about a year ago saying, "It may take some time [for Principal Robert Giannini] to uncover and discover their location."

Giannini denied having the books and said he thought they had been returned to the library, and Stevens said she had "totally given up" ever seeing the books again.

California High's librarian, Gloria Jacobsen, also said the two books had been taken by a vice principal for "review" and had never been seen again. Only after BANGLE's complaint of censorship did the San Ramon Valley High librarians locate their copies of the two novels, which had also been taken by a vice principal who had since quit.

Librarian Alicia Jones found them on a shelf in the former vice principal's office and retrieved them for the library where she said

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## SACWN Hosted Evening Buffet



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Katharine Richter, concert organizer, entertainer Lucie Blue-Tremblay with SACWN organizer Jane Irwin. SACWN hosted a pre-concert buffet before the Lucie Blue-Tremblay concert.

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## HIV newsline

# AZT Combination Therapy Endorsed by Volderberding at Conference

by Sonja Cox  
OF MGW STAFF

Dr. Paul Volberding, internationally acclaimed AIDS physician at San Francisco General Hospital, which was named early this year as the best AIDS treatment facility in this country, was in Sacramento recently. He spoke at the Red Lion Inn to a group of Sacramento physicians and local AIDS experts on the safety and efficacy of treating people with HIV disease with the drug AZT, but touched -- with great style -- on other topics of interest to the local community.

For quite some time it's been known that Zidovudine (AZT, also called Retrovir, and formerly called azidothymidine) can decrease the frequency and severity of opportunistic infections and the mortality rate in people who have advancing HIV disease. It's a potent inhibitor of the replication of the HIV virus that has regularly been given to people as they reach to 500 T-cell marker (that is, in people whose CD4 immune system cell counts are at 500 or fewer per cubic millimeter), although the "golden moment" -- perhaps somewhere between 500 and 200 T-cells -- when its time of most efficient use is at its maximum, toxicity at its minimum, and the most durable benefit ensured -- has not yet specifically been determined and agreed upon by expert researchers.

Throughout its long history as an effective treatment, conclusions regarding the proper AZT dosage were a long time in coming because people (both physicians and people with HIV disease) wanted it put in use before lengthy dosage approval, trials, and tests (often taking up to 10 years) could be concluded. Volberding says that

"making promising therapies available as quickly as possible while ensuring their clinical assessment (via the testing and approval process) remains a special challenge."

For the past few years, since AZT became available as an AIDS and HIV treatment, people have taken differing dosages ranging from 15 pills a day to what has now been determined by the Food and Drug Administration to be the most effective dosage of either 5 or 6 per day. Some physicians feel that we will eventually see a time when 3 per day is determined to be the proper amount, but this has not been substantiated in any tests to date. Tests are showing 5 and 6 as the most effective full-strength dosage.

And although benefits are clearly demonstrated from the drug, it has been at a cost of substantial toxicity in some individuals who have experienced anemia or neutropenia (blood cell loss), severe nausea, and other side effects, especially in those who were taking high dosages over the past several years. Volberding said time has shown that most toxicity, however, occurs within the first six months and then levels off or becomes controllable with other medications.

AIDS develops within a 10-year period in approximately half of all people with the HIV virus while others have been HIV-positive for well over 10 years and as yet have not had an AIDS infection or disease. Finding out why this happens in some people may well be the critical element to achieving nearly-normal lifespans for people with HIV disease.

At this time in the spectrum of this illness, however, although the tempo of the disease's progression

is extremely variable from one person to the next, it's projected that most of those who develop infections or diseases associated with full-blown AIDS will continue to eventually go on to have a serious and probably fatal outcome.

But Volberding emphasized that, in addition to the phenomenon of seeing people with HIV stay healthy for over a decade, we're looking at an entirely new element in the progression of the disease: we're seeing many people stay healthy for long periods of time even after their T-cells have reached 50, which he called the "advanced stage" of the disease. He said because people are staying in this group longer, anti-retroviral strategies may soon be targeted specifically at this group.

He discussed AZT resistance, saying perhaps this should be called resistance to dosages rather than resistance to the drug. Sometimes, he said, because of multiple infection viruses in a person, it might be beneficial to continue taking AZT even though resistance seems to be present, and that it may be better to add DDI rather than switch to DDI. (DDI, which works much the same as AZT, was recently approved by the Food and Drug Administration, bringing to two the number of drugs approved to specifically treat HIV infection in the past 10 years.)

Volberding said resistance to AZT occurs much faster in people with an AIDS diagnosis than in those with early HIV disease. Even after three years, many people with asymptomatic (no symptoms of) HIV have shown little resistance to AZT. He feels AZT should be started as soon as a person has 500 T-cells, and especially if they're healthy because they'll more likely be able to take the drug for several years. People with more advanced HIV disease, who have had an AIDS infection or disease, often show some resistance as early as 9 months after treatment has begun.

He notes that AZT is just as effective, despite some sporadic reports published from time to time to the contrary, in women, drug users, and minorities. Volberding said that sex or race don't seem to matter in disease progression, but people over age 35 statistically seem to progress through the HIV cycle faster than younger people.

He emphasized he feels that everyone with fewer than 500 T-cells should be on some dosage of this drug. He said use of the drug above 500 T-cells is not recommended because of potential long-term toxicity and other reasons.

The AZT dosages he described as most effective included 600 mg (6 pills per day) for people in advanced stages of HIV disease (with an AIDS diagnosis -- that is, people who have had an opportunistic infection, or people who have had no symptoms (are asymptomatic) but who have fewer than 200 T-cells), 5 per day at the early disease stages (at about 500 T-cells), and perhaps 3 per day at the beginning stage of the disease. He said he recommends taking the pills three times per day, not every four hours as was the norm a few years back, thus interrupting the sleep cycles of people who desperately needed their rest.

Current retroviral strategies include combination therapy with AZT and DDI or DDC, a third HIV treatment, originally hoped to be approved by the end of last year (and now hoped to be approved by the end of this year). Some researchers also feel that the side effects ordinarily found with each drug are lessened when they are working together in a person's body.

Treatment strategies being looked at include taking AZT one month, and then DDI or DDC the next month. Other physicians recommend alternating every week. And still others recommend taking both drugs daily.

In addition to the differing views on the ideal time alternatives, there are differing views on dosages. Some physicians feel that if two drugs are taken at the same time, both could be low dose. Some feel that if one drug is taken one month, and another the next month, then both could be taken at a maximum dosage because the body would have time to repair itself from any side effects and would, at the same time, achieve the maximum benefit as if a lower dosage were taken consistently.

It will take even more time to discover what the right combination may be for most people (taking into account that there may be as many "right" combinations as there are individuals), but it's now fairly

clear that combination therapy as the disease progresses is preferable to using AZT alone. Unfortunately, the HIV community is still waiting for clearance from the Food and Drug Administration for complete approval of DDC so that combination therapy with this drug can be legally begun, and incorporated into the AZT/DDI/DDC treatment strategy.

Without FDA approval of DDC, it's not available for physicians to prescribe until after a person has "failed" (or become intolerant to) both AZT and DDI. Thus, complete flexibility by a physician to find the right combination for his or her patient is not yet legally available.

Volberding said he would not discourage anyone from doing combination therapy while waiting for FDA approval. He says, "if it's not approved, get it." He said that obtaining these drugs through trials is fine, but until more drugs are available by prescription, "you almost have to go to the underground -- it's a function of where we are right now in this epidemic."

Individuals who, upon the advice of their physician, choose to use combination therapy with DDC must obtain it through underground buyers clubs. This version is not the exact same content as the prescribed version, but is as close as people can get until the FDA comes through for people fighting this disease and approves the drug. Some people who develop an intolerance to the underground DDC (such as neuropathy, or pain in toes or fingers, which usually doesn't occur with the true, prescribed version) find that they do well with the prescribed DDC once they are able to obtain it.

Since the approval of DDI in early October, some Sacramento physicians have already started working closely with their patients to develop AZT/DDI combination therapy programs with them.

On other issues, Volberding said it's time to get rid of many of the terminologies holding back our progress through this disease syndrome. He especially would like to

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## The American Heart Association is "Reaching All Hearts"

The American Heart Association, Golden Empire Chapter is reaching out into the Sacramento community, putting unemployed Sacramentans back to work by recruiting clients from other non-profit agencies to become paid telephone recruiters for the American Heart Association's "Dear Neighbor" residential campaign. The campaign is going strong with a current total of 5500 volunteers recruited to educate their neighbors about cardiovascular disease and stroke.

The Golden Empire Chapter has hired: People with AIDS, who have been put on disability but still want to work part time; mentally or emotionally challenged individuals who are ready to re-enter the workforce; and chemically dependent people who have stopped using drugs and are taking charge of

their lives again.

Although these are hard economic times, the citizens of Sacramento still realize the importance of funding the research and educational programs that contribute to the fight against cardiovascular disease and stroke, which will touch one out of every three people in Sacramento this year.

The American Heart Association is trying to "Reach All Hearts" in a positive way by involving many individuals from varied backgrounds to unite in this ongoing fight against heart disease--this nation's number one killer.

The following agencies have supported this project: The Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 448-2437; Crossroads Employment Services, 441-1950; Chemical Dependency Center for Women and Their Families, 448-2951.▼

## farewell...

Karlo Z. Djurovich

Karlo Zago Djurovich, an artist and former owner of the Djurovich Gallery in Sacramento, died in his home. He was 46.

Born in Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia, he was a 1969 graduate of the National Academy of Pedagogy for Graphic Arts in Zagreb, Yugoslavia.

In 1972, from his own studio in Dubrovnik, he began specializing in tapestries and serigraphs while also working with several other media.

In 1983, he and his partner, Mark Dreyer, settled

in Sacramento, then in 1985 opened the gallery on J Street and sold original artworks from primarily local artists.

An accomplished artist, Djurovich was a controversial figure in the art community with strong feelings about how art was used politically.

His works are part of public and private collections throughout Europe, Asia, North America and are displayed in the Tito Museum in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, the Gallery New Forms in Athens, Greece and the Terra Gallery and Yugoslav Cultural Center, both in New York City.

Two weeks before his death, he completed a large tapestry for the Trinity Cathedral Church.

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## news clips

### Anti-Gay Liquor Law Ruled Unconstitutional

October 24, 1991...Facing a highly publicized lawsuit and 1,000 gay and lesbian activists openly and eagerly breaking the law, Virginia state officials have ruled unconstitutional a 1930's era statute that forbid bars, restaurants and hotels from serving gay people. The Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board statute says that the Board may suspend or revoke the liquor license of any business that has "become a meeting place of rendezvous for users of narcotics, drunks, homosexuals, prostitutes, pimps, panderers, gamblers or habitual law violators." The law also bans a license holder from employing a "person who has the general reputation as a...homosexual." The law is believed to be the only one of its kind in the country.

### Lesbian/Gay Conference Set in S.F.

City College of San Francisco has been selected as host of the National Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Studies Conference in 1993.

The theme of the conference will be the multicultural perspective on gay and lesbian issues, including issues in Third World countries. Attendance is expected to reach 3,500 people, from all over the country. Info: Jonathan Katz 415/239-3876, Donna Mooney 415/239-3680.

### Houston gays march in protest

Over a thousand people took to the streets at the center of the gay community in Houston to demonstrate against the recent fatal attack on a man outside a gay bar. The demonstration closed an intersection for almost an hour, while the protestors chanted slogans against homophobia and violence.

---B.A.R.---

### Nation's First Openly Gay State Representative Aims For Massachusetts

Elaine Noble, the first openly gay person in the country to be elected to state legislature, announced her intentions to become the first openly gay person on the City Council in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She was responsible for obtaining the permit for the first Gay Pride March in Boston in 1972. Though only about 35 people showed for that years Gay Pride March, in 1991 there were an estimated 95,000.

### AIDS Event Moved To Holland

Due to the immigration rules that bar people who are infected with the AIDS virus from immigrating or visiting the United States, Harvard AIDS Institute protested by moving the event to Holland. The Netherlands were chosen out of 15 other possible sites. Holland does not have immigration rules that discriminate against people who are HIV positive, or have ARC or AIDS. The conference will bring an estimated \$15 million to the Netherlands economy.

---S.F. CHRONICLE

### Publisher Seeks Manuscripts

STARbooks Press, the matures adult imprint of Woldt Publishing, Sarasota, Florida, is seeking short fiction for its annual collections. The publisher has planned two anthologies for 1992: one of gaymale fiction to be titled "Huge: Every Man's Envy, Some Mens' Obsession," and one of lesbian fiction titled "The Woman in the Window (and Other Stories of Forbidden Love)."

Manuscripts should be 1500 to 4000 words, with first-person narrative encouraged. Authors should include bio note and any past publishing credits and mail to: Editor, STARbooks Press, P.O. Box 2737, Sarasota, FL 34230.▼

### Soviet Gays Sprang To Action To Resist Coup

Soviet Gay activists, after realizing that they had one of the few working computer printers in Moscow, aided loyalists to Russian Republic President Boris Yeltsin. The Gay rights group used their communication and copying equipment to print up thousand of copies of Yeltsin's proclamation asking for resistance against the coup.

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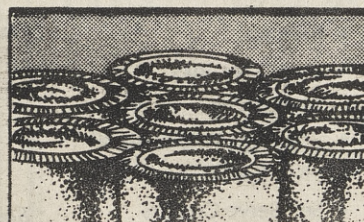
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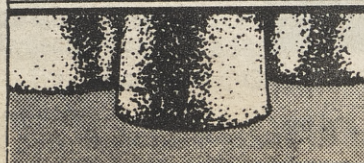


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# Gay Liaisons Open the Door to Government

by Dell Richards  
OF MGW STAFF

Sacramento, Calif. - In the past decade, mayors have begun to reach out to the community through gay liaisons.

So far, at least three mayors, a few police chiefs and a state controller have created paid positions that listen to the gay voice in government.

The liaisons often find their job a two-edged sword as they represent the establishment's position to the gay community. But having a representative give gays and lesbians a visible entry into government it hasn't had until now.

"My responsibility is to provide the mayor with information on issues of concern to the gay and lesbian community," said Marjorie Hill, a psychologist and activist who is Mayor David Dinkins' liaison in New York City.

As the watchful eyes of the mayor, Hill also finds a willing ear whenever she picks up the phone.

"Since I have been in office, I have never had a commissioner not return a phone call," said Hill. "They are not always agreeable to what I have to say, but they at least listen."

Since Hill was hired 18 months ago, she has made many in-roads

for the gay and lesbian community.

Hill started off her tenure by asking gays and lesbians to a reception at the mayor's mansion.

"We hosted the first reception for the gays and lesbians at Gracie Mansion - the first official invitation," said Hill.

Hill has tried to get other government agencies beside health to open up to gay and lesbian cultures. She has worked with:

\* City schools to create a pilot program that would let gays and lesbians donate sets of 30 gay books for classroom use - as well as single copies for the library.

\* Municipal building and bridges as well as private corporations to recognize the holocaust of HIV by dimming lights on World AIDS Day.

While Hill gets a diverse range of officials to think about gay and lesbian issues, she also has encouraged the gay and lesbian community to get involved in areas not typically part of the gay agenda, such as the Bronx zoo.

"It is important for all New Yorkers to have their voices heard - and do their share of the work," said Hill.

For Hill, government is a two-way street. Minorities need to be part of the process to make their

differences understood. Hill has tried to get gays to:

\* Donate gay books to police precincts to let police know what gay life is really like.

\* Ride with officers on patrol to let them get to know what gay people are like one-on-one and to see what being a cop on the beat is really like.

Being a go-between hasn't been easy. Hill attends about 40 community meetings a month and is sometimes accosted at the supermarket by people who are angry at the mayor.

Recently, the domestic partner issue plunked Hill in the middle of an emotional debate. According to Hill, the mayor wants domestic partner benefits for city employees. But state insurance laws prohibit benefits for non-traditional spouses.

While the mayor struggles to find a way around this impasse, Hill has found herself in the unenviable position of having to explain this brutal fact to a community which has seen any number of other cities adopt spousal benefits.

Besides changing the way society thinks, budget cuts are affecting city governments nationwide. Fledgling programs often are the first to go.

Chicago has been particularly hard hit.

Due to money woes, the mayor's liaison recently was moved to the Department of Health.

And the director's position for an advisory council which acts as the city's liaison to the Commission on Human Relations (CHR) is being restructured - on top of budget cuts to the already-overworked volunteer group.

"Cutting their budget was the only responsible way I could respond to the overall cuts," said Clarence Wood, the Human Relations Commissioner.

Wood explained that he not only eliminated 14 of 69 positions at the CHR staff but cut every advisory budget by \$4,000.

By reorganizing the paid positions, Wood hopes to take staff members out of the political arena by giving them professional classifications and encouraging them to be "pro-active rather than reactive."

"We want to be there to prevent problems in the future," said Wood.

According to Wood, a rise in gay harassment on high school and college campuses is just one of the many problems he hopes the new director will be able to address with innovative programs.

Critics argue that the major problem is not money but less concern for the community from the Mayor Daley than former mayor Harold Washington - who created the councils.

New administrations do reverse policies, causing havoc. Former President Ronald Reagan gutted several agencies during his day.

But liaisons also are turning up in unexpected places.

Through minority liaisons, the California Controller hopes to see all taxpayers represented equally when the state divvies up money.

"We want to make sure that the gay and lesbian community benefits from state programs like every other group," said Ray Luna, the gay liaison. "It's important to know they are not paying taxes in vain."

Like other liaisons, Luna lets the gay community know where

the controller stands on the issues. An elected official, Democrat Gray Davis supported the recently vetoed gay rights job bill. In addition to making discrimination illegal, the bill would have given a state agency the right to settle claims - which would have cost and estimated \$500,000 per year.

"We keep tabs on any issue that involves money," said Luna - which means almost any issue.

Even though Luna represents the financial side of government, he ends up acting as the gay door for the state. Luna gets calls from gays and lesbians on every conceivable issue.

"There are very few gay liaisons on state staffs," said Luna. "People call me and say they pay taxes, but because they're being discriminated against, they don't feel they're getting a fair share."

"If I can't help directly, I offer alternative routes they can take."

Marjorie Hill also finds herself as the point person for any problem gays run up against. But Hill is trying to change that.

One of her goals is to get every city agency to have its own liaison.

"Gays and lesbians are criticized for not having experience - or for having experience when they were in the closet," said Hill.

"I want to see open gays and lesbians on every committee and task force in the city. We need to contribute to every issue."

Dell Richards is a syndicated journalist whose book, *Lesbian Lists*, is available nationwide. ▼

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they would now be put on the stacks for the school's readers.

Birle said BANGLE has yet to decide what to do about the "lost" books. "We may offer them replacement copies, or we might ask the school administration to replace them themselves," he said.

BANGLE is still in the process of selecting new books to give schools this year, and Birle said the group would do a follow-up to make sure future donations weren't also "lost." "Maybe we'll have to mail them with a 'Return Receipt Request' or something," Birle said. ▼

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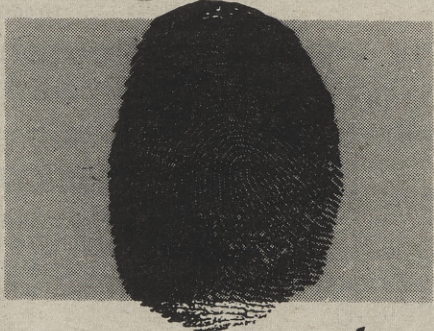
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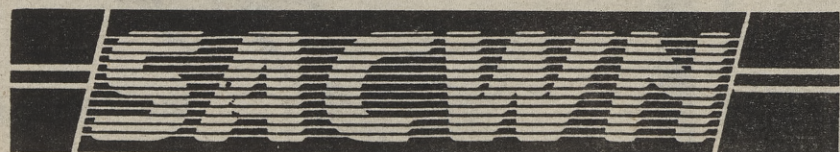
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see the words "AIDS" and "ARC" tossed aside. The constantly changing definitions, the high numbers of people dying without ever receiving financial benefits or medications because they never had a disease on the Centers for Disease Control's list of AIDS infections, all are intolerable. The entire HIV spectrum, he says, should be treated as one disease without differing classifications. Physicians should be allowed to treat people as they see fit no matter what is going on with that person's health and where they are in the spectrum of the illness. And government funding assistance should be available on an "as needed" basis, not just to people who have an official "full-blown AIDS" diagnosis.

Volberding told the group that AZT is an important first step in the treatment of AIDS, but that other new strategies must be developed. He said we now have aerosolized pentamidine for PCP pneumonia, pyrimethamine and sulfadiazine for toxoplasmosis, clarithromycin it's suggested that AZT, or AZT combination therapy be started. Then when T-cells reach 200, aerosolized pentamidine is begun. But other than these two markers, few drugs have been developed to looking promising as a treatment for MAC/MAI, and that he hopes to see more researchers looking at

lymph node syndromes in the future. All of these things are keeping people healthy longer and allowing them to lead happier and meaningful lives.

He said more research also needs to be done on drugs that will work at different places in the virus' infection cycle. For instance, drugs such as AZT, DDI and DDC are very similar to one another in the work that they do and the place in a person's health cycle that this work takes place. "The more dissimilar drugs are in treating HIV at different places in the life cycle of the virus, the more effective future combination therapies will be," he said.

In other words, very little is done at all throughout the first several years after initial infection until a person reaches 500 T-cells, when treat the virus throughout the entire infection cycle.

Volberding touched briefly on the SINGLE CASE of transmission of the HIV virus that took place in the office of a Florida dentist, emphasizing that it's much more likely that a physician could get HIV from a patient, but even that has never happened after all these years except in some needlestick cases. He said physicians and dentists must unite and be more proactive. "Yes," he said, "90 percent of the people can be wrong, and we don't need to roll over and play dead because 90 percent of the people think we should!"

## Governor Signs Five-Bill Package

On the heels of Governor Wilson's drug expansion program, five bills to cover education, prevention, patient protection, and care issues were also signed and will become effective January 1.

- The AIDS In-School Education bill will provide instruction to grades 7-12, at least once in junior high and once in high school.

- The Patient Protection Act requires the Dept. of Health Services to develop written guidelines on minimizing the risk of transmission between (a) health care workers to patients, emphasizing already-existing universal precautions, (b) patients to health care workers, and (c) patients to patients. This bill may take the place of more restrictive proposed legislation that would require mandatory testing.

- The Definition of AIDS bill allows HIV disease as well as AIDS to be defined as a life-threatening illness, thus allowing the Dept. of Health Services to provide supplemental funding to residential AIDS care facilities.

- The HIV Antibody Tests/Insurance bill redefines HIV testing and disclosure statutes to protect people at risk for HIV infection from being denied health or disability insurance based on lab tests that imply HIV status.

- The HIV Test Disclosure bill insures that clinical trial volunteers who test HIV positive as a result of receiving vaccines will not be denied health care, disability or life insurance coverage. About 3000 people in California are participating in the trials. The bill also protects HIV-negative people from being denied insurance simply because they're in a vaccine trial.

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## Hawaii Activists Put Pressure on ROTC

HONOLULU--Hawaii activists leveled a double-barreled shot across the bow of Reserve Officers Training Corps programs at both the University of Hawaii and the state's school system, insisting that the state's educational institutions "have ROTC eliminate their discriminatory employment and program participation practices" against lesbians and gays or be removed from the publicly funded institutions.

The board of directors of the GLEA (Gay and Lesbian Education and Advocacy) Foundation in Honolulu, delivered letters to the University of Hawaii board of regents and to Dr. Mitsugi Nakashima, head of the state's Board of Education, demanding the two educational institutions enforce their own non-discrimination policies covering sexual orientation against the ROTC programs. In the letters, William Woods, GLEA's executive director, said, "Our purpose in compelling your action is to eliminate discrimination based upon a person's sexual orientation. Our purpose is not to stop ROTC as a viable career and training opportunity for students or faculty."

In his letter to University of Hawaii trustees, Woods cited anti-bias policies adopted earlier this year barring discrimination in "admission and access to and participation, treatment, and employment in the university's programs and activities" because of various reasons, including sexual orientation.

In both letters, Woods also cites the state's anti-discrimination laws

which also prohibit bias in employment based on sexual orientation. Even though state law cannot be enforced against federal agencies like the Department of Defense, which operates the ROTC programs and maintains a blanket exclusion of lesbians and gay men, Woods says that would not prevent the state's Department of Education from asking the Junior ROTC programs at public schools to alter their policies or be cut off from state support. "We believe using our state facilities and resources is

a violation of that [anti-bias] law," Woods said. "The issue is to eliminate discrimination. If they do not eliminate discrimination under our state and our university policies, then we believe that no resources of the state should go to support or acknowledge these programs. We're not saying, 'Close these programs down by law,' we're saying, 'Go find your own space and do your own recruiting using your own resources. Do not use our state resources.'"

ROTC programs at colleges and universities around the country have been the object of intense criticism because of the military's anti-gay policies for several years and a growing number are taking steps to expel the programs or severely limit their access to campus facilities. ▼

## UCD Adopts Non-Discrimination Policy

The University of California adopted a policy of non-discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in 1983. Since that time, the University has made increasing efforts to actively include members of the gay, lesbian and bisexual communities in all facets of University life.

The Davis campus and the Medical Center, located in Sacramento, have active organizations, such as Gay and Lesbian University Employees (GLUE), Delta Lambda Phi, a national fraternity focusing on the gay community, Bisexuals, Gays and Lesbians at Davis (BGLAD) and other groups that promote better understanding and provide for social support and networking on campus and at the Medical Center.

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# It's a Queer World

by RumpleForeskin  
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"It's a Queer World" is compiled periodically for your amusement, amazement and edification, and consists of odds and ends (well, maybe more odds than ends) worth passing notice.

◆ **'TO BOLDLY GO ...'**  
Eduardo Gonzalez and two other Spaniards were sentenced to lengthy jail terms in Madrid in October on charged of corrupting minors. Several of the adolescent boys told the court, Gonzalez and his partners, Carlos de los Rios and Ignacio de Miguel, recruited them into a secret sect by convincing them they were aliens from a planet called Nazar and promising them a trip to the non-existent planet in exchange for having sex with them, with each other and selling themselves to other men. The court sentenced Gonzalez to 168 years in prison, and de los Rios and de Miguel to 63 years each.

◆ **LEARNING ABOUT BIOLOGY:** An Oshkosh, Wisc., biology teacher was charged with having

sex with one of his 16-year-old male students in his high school classroom after school hours. When the man was confronted with lab reports that indicated there was semen on the floor of the classroom where the student said the two had had sex, the teacher claimed he had been preparing microscope slides as specimens for his students to examine. I'll show you my speci-

men if you show me yours.

◆ **DISCOS TO SHOW YA:** In yet another chink in once-impenetrable Iron Curtain, the hardest of the hardline Communist nations, Albania, has permitted the opening of three discotheques - one in the capital of Tirana, another in the northern industrial city of Shkodra, and a third in the southern city of Saranda. The Tirana disco, called "Agrin," opened in late October, has a maximum capacity of only 70 people, and only admits boy-girl

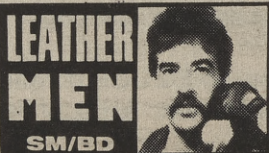
couples. Under the old Stalinist dictatorship, listening to Western popular music was illegal and Albania kids could even be jailed for singing a Beatles tune. But operators of "Agrin" say the interest in going to a Western-style discotheque is so great that they've had to hire private police to keep kids from overrunning the tiny dance palace, which is being run by an Italian company under the watchful eye of the still-suspicious government. ▼



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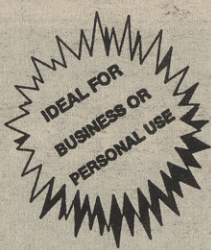


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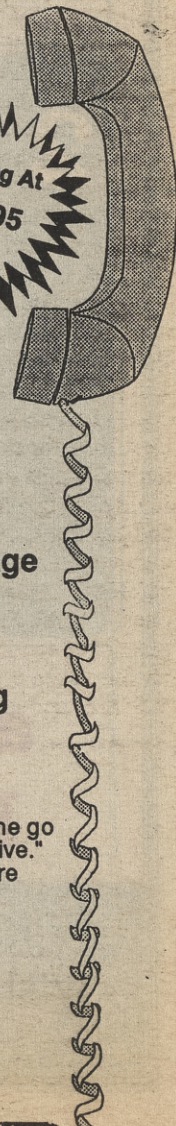
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# Homophobia As A Family Value?

by Mark Gowers  
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Groups like the Traditional Values Coalition (TVC), and people like Jesse Helms and William Dannemeyer are cowards, hiding their bigotries behind children and the facade of so-called "family values". Ask yourself: Why is homophobia advertised as a family value? Why must families value homophobia? Just what is the value of homophobia in families? And just who is "THE FAMILY" we keep hearing about so much anyway? The answer is really very simple. There is no real "the family". "The family" is a lovely cardboard cut-out image displayed in the knowledge that no moral person would ever attack it; like the coward in a fight who throws the first punch and then quickly puts on a pair of spectacles and says "there now, you wouldn't hit a man with glasses, would you?" "The family" is the pair of glasses put on by homophobic cowards relying on the decency of gay people to refrain from attacking children and pets and grandma and grandpa and mommy and daddy, just to get at them. And all the while, they stand behind the family members, holding them out in front by the shoulders screaming, "Go on, try it, I dare you".

"The family" is an ideal--a mental, ideological, philosophical construct which, unlike the real world or real families, does not contain gay people, because unlike reality, the "family" of TVC fame never had any gay members born into it. "The family" is actually heterosexual bigots in disguise as a mom and a pop and two adoring heterosexual children; one boy and one girl. "The family" is William Dannemeyer and Lou Sheldon and Jesse Helms and Jerry Falwell. And their ancestors, their great grandfathers were popes and priests and Nazis and Klansmen. This is the lineage of "the family". "The family" is the pleasing disguise of gay myth makers and bad mouthers, of bashers and bigots who throw fictions into giant caldrons of ignorance and boil them into a stew of hateful lies and caricatures that fictionalize their "enemy" in order to make them more worthy of bashing and bloodshed. "The family" is the front for smear campaigns, organized violence, and political oppression.

It has made a vow to not accept non heterosexuals no matter who they are--family members or not. It will toss its gay sons and daughters into the streets before it will extend a kind hand or attempt to listen to or understand its gay children. "The family" is opposed to gay people and gay rights despite the irreconcilable contradiction between the careless tossing away of "loved ones" and the ideal of families as a place of protection and acceptance, or the inseparable thickness of bloodline and its mandate of stick-

togetherness through inconceivable hardship and death, through famine and disease. Indeed, "the family" of the TVC is an idyllic painting on an eggshell, so thin it is fractured by the one tiny revelation that "Bobby is gay, not straight", OH MY! "The family" is a fictional family portrait with large obtrusive gaps where its missing members have been whited out. It is all these things, but it is not reality. It is a cover, a disguise; not the family that any of us really believe in or want or respect enough to refrain from speaking out against. It is not the family that we ourselves love and are too afraid to challenge for fear of being labeled "anti-family".

The bottom line is this: Bigotry is bigotry whether you try to cloak it in the disguise of family values or not. It doesn't matter if you are a member of a family, or an orphan, or a clan; bigotry is bigotry and you don't need a family for that. Bigotry's only ancestors are hatred, misunderstanding, lack of education, and fear. These are the parents of homophobia.

The true test of family values--of real family values, of real families--will not be in how much they buy into the mindless ideologies of people like Jesse Helms and William Dannemeyer and the TVC. Rather, it will be in whether families have enough love for each other to refrain from throwing their gay sons and daughters on the street when they find out they are gay. The true test of our nation itself will be in whether we ever allow gay people to speak for themselves, whether we will ever stop spreading the myth that gay people, unlike straight people, are able to CHOOSE their sexuality and have decided to choose not to be straight against the wishes of the family. It will also be in whether it stops driving its gay youth to suicide at a three times higher rate than straight kids (thank you, TVC and William Dannemeyer and Jesse Helms and all the other bigots) and then proceeds to remove itself from feeling any sense of responsibility or shame by blaming it on the child for having made the wrong "choice" or on the gay community for having "recruited" the child into a life of inevitable destruction. The true test of our families will be in whether or not they will ever CHOOSE to accept the overwhelming fact that gay people are gay and will never be straight no matter how much hatred is directed their way. The true test of our families will be in whether they will ever accept the overwhelming fact that a large proportion of the world is gay and always has been and always will be. The true test of real family values will be in whether or not those values are rooted in unconditional love, and not held conditionally, not advertised as a withdrawable commodity, not held as a threat over people's heads in order to extort a conformity to somebody

else's sexuality.

The only difference families will make in this equation is in whether they accept their children for who they really are, and raise psychologically healthy, accepted, and well adjusted kids, gay or straight, who feel as though they are true members of their family, or in whether they let the TVC tell them how to raise their kids in a way that insures that they will be bashed, ridiculed, belittled, alienated, and driven away. The question is not whether parents can teach kids to be gay or not, for certainly they cannot, (this should be obvious since our society already erroneously assumes all kids to be straight and raises them accordingly). The question is merely whether we will ever stop extending the erroneous heterosexual presumption that all people are heterosexual into the intolerant mandate that all gay people must also be heterosexual.

Listening to the prescriptions of those who espouse homophobia as a "family value" assures only one thing: that straight kids will be raised as bigots, and that gay kids will be raised to hate themselves. It

is time to take a second look at our definition of "The Family" and to think twice about the true value we place in human beings as members of our own families. If the doctrine of "Family Values" causes us to value our sons and daughters only insofar as they will become the purveyors of the next generations' ideology of heterosexual supremacy, and if, when they fail to take up that standard of hatred


against gay people, they are thrown out on the street or disowned as enemies of "the cause", then perhaps "Traditional Family Values" are not what they're cracked up to be. Perhaps it is time to take a look at the true value of our families and to ask ourselves whether breaking up a family because it contains gay members is really as ideal as the doctrine of "Family Values" would have us believe. ▼

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## Documentary Nearing Completion

A new gay film *Changing Our Minds: The Story of Dr. Evelyn Hooker* is nearing completion and should be ready for Public Television by 1991. It is a documentary depicting the life and work of mental health professional Dr. Evelyn Hooker. Dr. Hooker's studies on gay men helped to demystify the belief that homosexuality was an illness. In 1973 homosexuality was declassified as a disease by the American Psychiatric Association due to Dr. Hooker's pioneering work.

*Changing Our Minds* will focus on the life of this extraordinary American woman scientist who changed the face of psychiatry towards gay people. Her studies of the emotional adjustment of gay men in society was the spring board in eliminating homosexuality from the American Psychiatric Association's Diagnostic and Statistical

Manual.

The film's producer, Dr. James Harrison, a clinical psychologist and Executive Director of New York's Foundation for Integrative Studies, says, "Roughly 75% of our funding is in place, .... but because of its gay theme, we've still encountered a lot of resistance, and funding has not been easy." Dr. Harrison hopes to reach more donors and small family foundations to assist in the films final stages.

Persons who suffered abuse, injury, or subjugated to aversion or electric shock therapies by mental health professionals in order to change their sexual orientation, are urged to contact Dr. Harrison at the Foundation for Integrative Studies, 123 West 44th Street, Garden Leel, New York, NY 10036, or at (212) 580-4826. ▼

## Workshop with Robert Patrick

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works will receive staged readings as part of the workshop: *Let Me Not Mar That Perfect Dream* at 11 am on December 7th, and *Hello, Bob* at 7:30 pm on December 9th. *Hello Bob* will be directed by Robert Irvin and features Stephanie McVay, Betsy Warren, Blair Leatherwood, Cheryl Sigl, Roelle Mitchell and many more performing a series of interlinked monologues.

Cost of the workshop is \$100; \$75 for Company members. The staged reading of *Hello, Bob* is open to the public. Tickets are \$4. For information call 442-2399. ▼

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## Fools of Fortune (1990)

by Matthew Kennedy  
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World War 1 is over, but in Ireland there is great unrest. The English army is suppressing the Irish rebel's demand for home rule, and the proud and wealthy Quinton family will be destroyed for their contact with the Irish Republican Army officials.

*Fools of Fortune*, based on an award-winning novel by William Trevor, makes for a long and somber movie. It could use more judicious editing, and the movie jumps about in time awkwardly. The great dramatic zenith of the movie happens too soon, leaving the denouement to drag on forever.

Despite its problems, *Fools of Fortune* stands as a literate adult drama. Director Pat O'Connor (Cal

expertly recreates the place and time with great detail and he is aided by costume designer, Judy Moorcroft, and composer Hans Zimmer. The women in the cast pull off Michael Hirst's melodramatic script better than the men. Iain Glen, acting a bit too overwrought, has the pivotal role of Willie, and Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio (Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves) tries valiantly to carry the dramatic burden of the movie's ponderous second half. As the Quinton's English matriarch, Julie Christie is heartbreaking as a proud woman reduced by senseless violence to a haunted alcoholic. *Fools of Fortune* is rough going, but it does offer some satisfactions. ▼

## Kate Clinton, Comic to Make Appearance at the Crest Theater

Kate Clinton, a self-described "Fumerist"—that's feminist and humorist combined—will treat Sacramento audience to her brand of "whyscracking" comedy at 8pm Friday Dec 6 at the Crest Theater.

Clinton, who combines a feminist outlook with a riotously witty view of the world, is a stand-up comic and political satirist who challenges the current political climate. And she does it from a

woman's perspective. She is on a 40-city tour promoting her latest album, "*Babes in Joyland*."

"Outrageously funny," "irreverent," and "delightful" say critics and fans at venues such as San Francisco's Great American Music Hall, New York's Bottom Line, or Chicago's Park West. But what can you expect from the woman labeled "Mark Russell on estrogen" From Capitol Hill to Anita Hill and

Clarence Thomas, Clinton's stand-up style looks at the news of the day through the satiric kaleidoscope of a gay, "surviving Catholic."

Clinton has four albums out on her own Whyscrack Records: "*Making Light*," "*Making Waves*," "*Kate Clinton: Live at the Great American Music Hall*," and her recently released "*Babes in Joyland*." ▼

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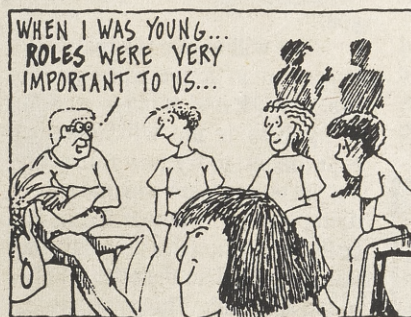
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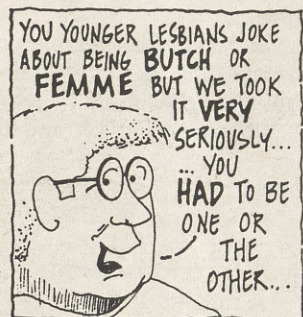
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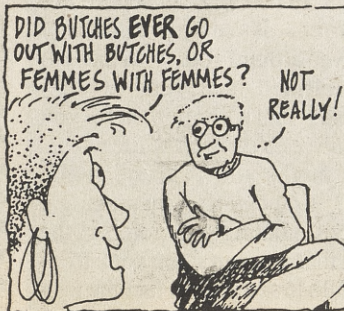
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# Make a Life Wish This Year

For the coming year why not make a life wish. The will to live is probably the most important factor in mental health and physical healing.

Kenneth Pelletier, Ph.D. is a clinical professor of medicine in San Francisco, and has authored numerous books, including *Mind as Healer, Mind as Slayer; Longevity; Holistic Medicine; and Healthy People in Unhealthy Places*. He points out things that I have written about before in this column which is that how you see and perceive your reality makes all the difference in the world in whether you attain a state of health or illness.

For most of us, the physical parameters that seem to influence longevity and health are diet, exercise, stress alleviation and the

psychosocial environment (liking what you do, remaining active and involved in your life.) If I had to choose a most important one I would probably choose the last one, because it so deeply involves the consciousness of the individual. It is important to stay involved and curious about life, your own life and you wish it was. If your answer is "no", it just may mean that you haven't attained a certain goal yet. In fact it is very psychologically valuable to have a goal greater than you can immediately fulfill. You often see instances of spontaneous remission from terminal diseases among people working toward a goal!

The will to live is a real desire to remain an active participant in life, at work and at play. Another component is the willingness to experiment, to try new things and not get bogged down in one way of doing things. Another factor can be the realization that there is something bigger than the self: a belief in the spiritual. This is not necessarily in the form of religious dogma. In fact, seldom does it take that form. It's simply a sense of the lives around you. You have to feel fulfilled, that your life has meaning, that it's important for you to be alive. You need a "life wish." How might you cultivate a life wish? You can start by making a habit of quieting your mind to the point that you can stand back from your life to see if it's in fact the way

something greater than the individual self. Moving away from self-absorption and releasing energy to a greater common good or collective consciousness, can renew a sense of daily well-being.

Living your passions with optimism and gusto, be it art, hobbies, work, travel, family life, or public service, will do a lot more for your mental and physical health than all the fat-free low-cholesterol diets put together. Yes, diet is important, but without a passion for life or a life wish one can wither and die on 1,000 low-fat calories a day.

Give in to your hunger for nature. For the warm sun, wild flowers, lush fields and all the good sounds, smells and happy thoughts that go with the great outdoors. Pleasure yourself to good health in 1992, fully experience your passion, dare to risk, experience something different, give to your loved ones a little more, walk through a field, kiss and taste, touch and smell your way to abundance and personal health and prosperity.

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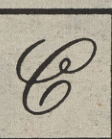
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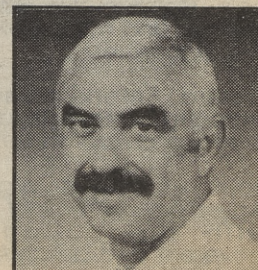
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## I Get Phone Calls . . . Pet Problems

by Joan B. Guertin  
OF MGW STAFF

I have been telling friends and family that now that the slow time of the year is upon us that I will get back to writing. However, thanks to the phone ringing off the hook, it does not appear that I will experience a "slow time" this year.

The calls I am getting concern me greatly. It is increasingly important to help educate the public in the responsibilities of pet ownership, most of which should be just plain old common sense. However, the tone of the calls indicate that the callers are frustrated and often at their wits end to solve pet problems. The callers I can deal with. What concerns me are those who do not call, whose answer to the problem will be to unload the problem by dropping the culprit off at the SPCA.

Last week I heard from a lady with a seven-week-old kitten that wet on her bed. The kitten had free run of the house and was expected, at seven weeks, to find its way back to the appropriate room and the cat box. The solution was simple, limit the area, place kitten and box in the same room and when nature called, the kitty would find her box. As kitty matures and can venture further afield, she will look for her box.

Just this morning I heard from a woman whose husband mentioned the SPCA as the solution to their dogs destructiveness. A smart woman who obviously loves the dog, she elected to phone and was directed to dog training classes and an immediate solution to the problems via the route of confinement in a smaller area where the dog

could not damage any family property, much as we would confine a child to a playpen until it was mature enough to grasp the rules of the house.

Some problems that I hear about come second hand . . . the beautiful bird that so frustrated the owner that he left it in a cage much too small and as it grew, it developed multiple problems that eventually caused its death.

This was simply a case of neglect leading to abuse.

The cold spell last winter brought to light how little some folks regard their pets. Countless animals were left in yards without shelter in weather that was unseasonably cold. One story that was related to me was from a pet shop owner who couldn't tell a woman what she wanted to hear. Her two dogs were shivering on the porch. She didn't want them in the house and thought maybe the breezeway would be adequate for them. The suggestion was to obtain a dog house and allow the dogs to cuddle together and be warmed by their own body heat. This was not a viable solution as the cost of the dog house bothered the caller. We often wondered what happened to those poor pups.

When we obtain a pet, whether it is a dog, cat, bird, bunny, duck or whatever, we are making a commitment to care for a dependent creature. It is not always convenient. It often leads to changes in our lifestyles. For example, with a litter of puppies I am not free now to take off for the entire day. They need constant cleaning and they need frequent feedings. I, or someone must be here to take care of their needs. They need socializing which means that I have to make

time in an already crowded schedule for some quality time each day with the babies. Baby animals need constant exposure to humans or they will grow up distrusting. The one litter of kittens that I raised out in the barn years ago became feral cats because they were not handled. I learned a sad lesson with that one.

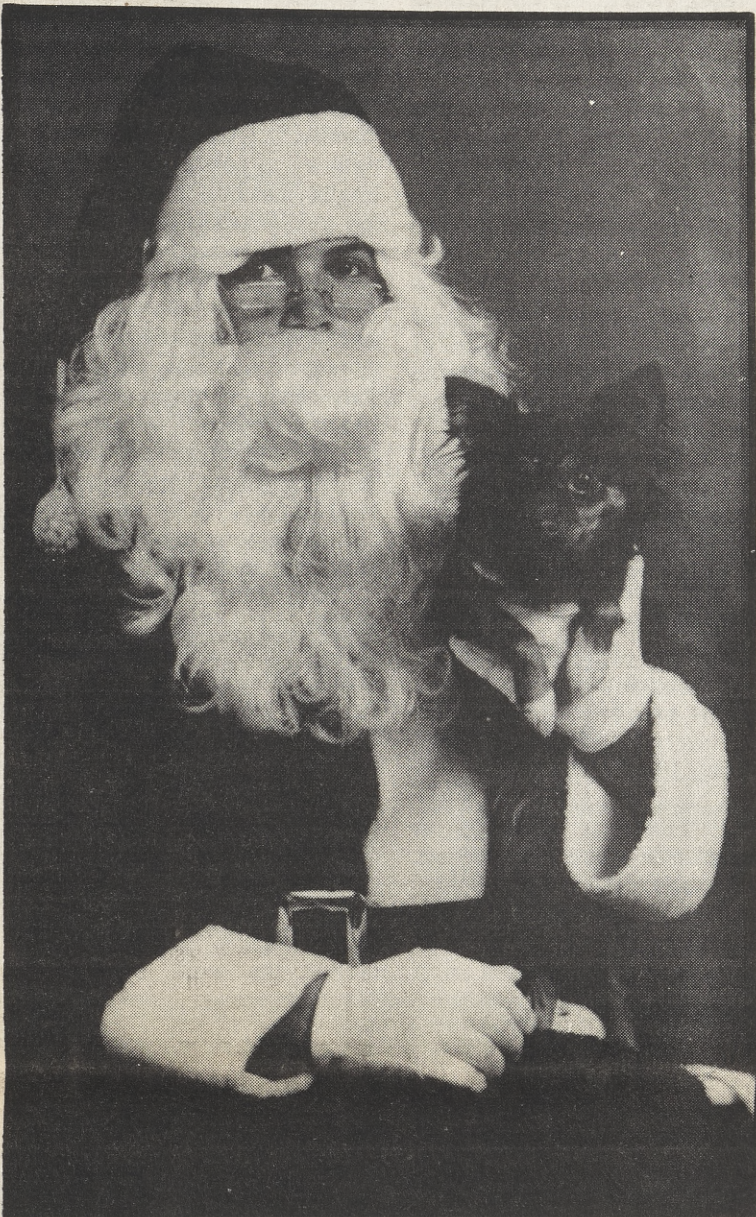
With the current concern over pet overpopulation, it behooves us to think long and carefully about the responsibilities inherent with pet ownership. The rewards can be great; the commitment often includes inconvenience. Knowing that, are we willing to make the total commitment? There are always solutions to pet problems, sometimes they are not simple, but they can be resolved. Are we willing to commit to that time and effort? Are we willing to humble ourselves to seek the help of professionals? If, when we look at the overall picture, the care and training prove to be too costly, maybe we need to rethink the owning of a pet at this time. Remember, a pet will be dependent of US . . . are we really able to be there for it?▼

### Santa Paws is Coming to Town

The SPCA has announced that Santa Paws will be on the prowl again this year with his trusty camera. Pet portraits make a lovely gift. Check with the SPCA for dates, times and location. Last year we caught up with Santa Paws at a Pet Store and Chiquita, my Chihuahua, thought it was a pretty neat experience.▼

## Dog Show Activity

The Hangtown Kennel Club of Placerville will hold its Annual Holiday B/OB Match on Sunday, December 8, 1991. It is a good place to get some practice for young puppies or to see many breeds if you are puppy shopping. Pre Entries close December 5th. Call (916) 644-3577 or (916) 621-4358 if you have questions. The match will be at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds, 100 Placerville Dr., Placerville.▼



Santa Paws & Chiquita Guertin, Christmas, 1991. Proceeds from photos help benefit the SPCA.

## DOG Facts & Fancies

Helpful Advice from the American Kennel Club  
Reconsider The Gift Of A Puppy

If you plan to give a friend or your family a puppy for a holiday gift this year, think again. Experts say Christmas is *not* a good time to get a puppy.

The holiday season is hectic. Introducing a puppy into a household during such confusion will be hard on both you and the dog. Overexcited children may scare the puppy or neglect it, especially if it chews their new presents or has an accident on the rug.

A puppy is not a toy. It requires a continuous supply of shelter, food, exercise, training, attention, and medical care throughout its life. This "holiday gift" will be part of the family for 10 years or more.

If your family or friend is committed to raising a puppy, substitute a "dog voucher" for the real thing. After the holiday festivities are over, you can research the different breeds together to find the

one that suits. Adult size, disposition, and amount of grooming are among the factors that need to be considered. Then you can go together to a reputable breeder and pick out that special companion.

For more information on dog shows, breeds and how to choose a puppy, contact the American Kennel Club, 51 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010.▼

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## media watch

by Hollie Conley  
OF GLADD/SFBA

### Trojan

Doesn't it bother you that most American companies won't advertise in gay and lesbian publications, and that their ads are full of explicitly heterosexual images? The difficulty in tackling the problem is that it's so pervasive, so we're starting with one of the more outrageous cases: Trojan Condoms, which advertises only in "mainstream" (i.e. avowedly heterosexual) men's magazines. Although no major condom brands advertise in the gay/lesbian press, Trojan is the biggest seller, and others may follow their lead, so we're going to make them change their policy. GLAAD/NY held a demonstration at the national headquarters of Carter-Wallace, manufacturer of Trojans. We urge everyone to phone and fax zap Carter-Wallace's offices in New York.

Write Henry Hoyt, Jr., Chairman and CEO, Carter-Wallace, Inc. 1345 Ave. of the Americas, NY NY 10105, tel. (212) 339-5000, fax (212) 339-5100.

### Target Stores

A court of appeals in California has ruled that discrimination against gays and lesbians in employment is in violation of existing privacy laws. The ruling is a victory, but Target stores, the defendant in the case, is planning to appeal to the state Supreme Court, where more conservative views hold sway. Because, thanks to Governor Wilson, we still have no legislative ban on discrimination, a successful appeal could have the effect of explicitly legalizing discrimination against lesbians and gays in most of California.

Does Target want to pursue this case more than it wants your

business? Find out by called or writing Debbie Kintzel, District Manager, Target Stores Regional Office, 14750 Miller Ave., Fontana CA 92336, tel. (714) 355-6000.

### U.S. News & World Report

U.S. News & World Report, a weekly news digest, has for years filled its opinion pages with uncounted hate and prejudice. In the October 28 edition, a piece by John Leo titled "The words of the culture war," continued the bigotry. Leo was complaining about expanding definitions of words like "family." "The cultural center and right try to hold onto traditional English meanings and the cultural left tries to stretch and relativize key words," he said, scrambling to place his vile views in the "center." Almost any household with one or more living creatures from one or more species is apt to be defined by some official or other as a family, Leo said snidely. Examples? "A New York court decided that two gay men with no children constituted a family." According to Leo, "all this amounts to is a campaign against the traditional family."

Leo, whose column appears weekly in *USN&WR*, is obsessed with gays and lesbians, and has, in past columns, accused gays and lesbians of using gay-bashing as part of a media campaign to "advance their special interest agendas," declared that "everybody knows" that homosexuality leads to early death, called gays and lesbians "hypersensitive" for protesting the infamous AIDS-phobic *Midnight Caller* episode, and attacked the work of Robert Mapplethorpe as obscene, just to name a few. *USN&WR* has never published any anti-prejudice or anti-censorship pieces on a gay or lesbian theme, and we're getting fed up with it.

Write to Mortimer B. Zuckerman, Editor-in-Chief, U.S. News & World Report, 2400 N. Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037-1196.

### Coach

On Tuesday, October 29th, the ABC sitcom *Coach* had a frank (and erotic) treatment of a gay theme. The main character of the show, the football coach at Minnesota State University, was having conniptions over the fact that his new star player, Terry, was gay. He got so out of joint that Terry had to quit the team. Coach tracked Terry down to a gay bar to apologize, and they had a heart-to-heart during which Terry stood his ground, refusing to come back unless treating him exactly like the other players. As they spoke the bar filled up with gay male couples slow-dancing—a real head-turning image for network TV! Coach finally realized that he had done something terribly wrong, and promised to "get over it," as they say. As the two left the bar, Coach recognized two of his former players with their arms around each other. *Coach* is not a show known for being with-it and progressive, but for its hetero-American jock humor. Give them strong support for taking on a gay theme and doing such a good job.

Write to Barry Kemp, Executive Producer, *Coach*, 100 Universal City Plaza, Bungalow 78 (Production), Universal City, CA 91608.

### 48 Hours

On Wednesday, October 30, the CBS news show *48 Hours* focused on ways in which people fight crime, and they included a segment on gay men and lesbians combating bashing. The story included an interview with William Kiley, the San Jose man who was able to prosecute his basher be-

cause he had videotaped the attacked, and focused on San Francisco's own queer "Street Patrol," which patrols the Castro every weekend to deter violence. The segment was great, featuring scenes of the Street Patrol working with the Guardian Angels, shots of the "A Queer Was Bashed Her" logos that dot the Castro, and words from group members about why they got involved.

Write to 48 Hours, 524 West 57th Street, NY NY 10019.

### L.A. Law

The October 31st *L.A. Law* included a story about gay bashing. Wussy Douglas Brackman (one of the show's regulars) met his old friend Bob for dinner, and Bob told Douglas he was gay (Douglas suddenly realized that the fantastic restaurant he had been eating in was full of gays and lesbians). As Douglas left the restaurant, he was attacked by a young man who called him a "faggot" and a "queer."

Douglas had to be hospitalized, but because he was, like so many straight men, afraid folks would think he was gay, refused to identify his basher. After agonizing for a few days about his cowardice and his masculinity, Douglas came forward to identify his assailant.

The same episode also contained hints that *L.A. Law* intends to keep the character C.J. as the bisexual she was born to be. (Last season, the show began, then dropped a story line that had C.J. and Abby, another attorney, getting the hots for each other). At the firm's board meeting, C.J. was pointedly the only one who had heard of the restaurant where Douglas was bashed; and later, when her father showed up at her door in the middle of the night, C.J. said that "we were asleep" and her fa-

ther says "I won't wake him—or her."

*L.A. Law* also plans, according to press reports, to develop a new lesbian character later in the season. Let them know you're looking forward to seeing her!

Write or call Patricia Green, Executive Producer, *L.A. Law*, 20th Century Fox, 10201 W. Pico Blvd., Building 80, Room 26, Los Angeles, CA 90035, tel. (213) 203-1361.

### Business Week

The November 4th issue of *Business Week* included an article by Keith Hammonds titled "Lotus Opens a Door for Gay Partner" on the recent decision of Lotus Development Corp. to provide the same benefits for the partners of gay and lesbian employees as for those of heterosexuals. Hammonds pointed out the risks of a non-discriminating benefits policy, "since prejudice against gays remains highly vocal," but reported that Lotus had received little backlash (about 80% of letters received about the policy were positive—thanks all you letter writers!). He also pointed out that arguments about the huge expense of providing gay and lesbian partners with benefits are not backed up by the experience of the few companies that already offer them.

Write *Business Week* and thank them for this article. Encourage them to do more reporting on issues surrounding gays, lesbians and homophobia in business. Write to Stephen Shepard, Editor in Chief, *Business Week*, 1221 Ave. of the Americas, 39th Floor, NY NY 10020.

Talk back to the media—Confront homophobia. Notify the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, of all defamations, and if possible supply us with copies or recordings. Our hotline number is (415) 861-4588; fax (415) 861-4893. Our mailing address is 514 Castro St., Suite B, San Francisco, CA 94114.▼

## a parent connection

by June and Sherman Krane  
OF MGW STAFF

June and Sherman Krane are the parents of three children, one of whom is a gay son. Long-time members of PFLAG, they have lectured extensively on parents and gay children

### Dear Parent Connection:

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Last month I told my parents that I am gay, but when I bring it up now they kind of turn off of the subject, they seem "stuck." Any suggestions?

L.G.

Mom Says: Dear L.G.

Patience is the answer. You've known that you have been gay for some time and in order to accept it you went through much self-realization and contemplation. That takes time. Your parents need time too, to examine this new information and to inculcate it. Be kind and patient. Let them know you are there to answer questions and perhaps you could provide some good books on the subject to amplify their understanding.

Best wishes to you all,  
Mom

Dad Says: Dear L.G.

It is typical for parents of a gay child to pass through successive stages of disbelief, shock, sorrow, and many times total denial. For many people, if they deny their

child's sexual being, they feel that it may go away or change.

Your job is to go back to your parents and rediscuss your sexual orientation with them. Go prepared with some books and brochures you can leave with them and leave the hot-line number for the local P-FLAG group. The books I would suggest are:

*Beyond Acceptance* (Paperback) St. Martin's Press 1990  
*When Someone You Know is Gay* M. Evans and Co. 1989  
*Parents Matter* Naiad Press 1987

There are several excellent pamphlets that you can get from your local P-FLAG group or from:

P-FLAG  
P.O. Box 27605  
Washington, D.C. 20038

Do not give up on your parents for your own sake. One of those successive stages they will eventually go through is acceptance.

Good luck,  
Dad

### Dear Parent Connection:

I have been doing some reading about homosexuality and have had several discussions with my gay and lesbian friends. I decided to write to you to ask just one question: "Is homosexuality moral?"

Thank you  
Jo

Dad Says: Dear Jo,

This is really a very difficult one to answer, but I will see what I can do. Neither homosexuality nor heterosexuality in and of itself is

either moral or immoral, rather, the problem is how human beings fit their sexual feelings and relational needs into the context of a responsible and moral life. Individuals must use their capacity for love to develop and increase their moral capacities and human potential. These problems are similar for both homosexuals and heterosexuals. The real question is: Is it moral to oppress people because of whom they love?

Love,  
Dad

Mom Says: Dear Jo,

For me morality has nothing to do with homosexuality. Homosexuality is—that is all. Just as heterosexuality is, meaning both sexualities are a fact of life. Homosexuality is not a choice nor a preference nor a lifestyle anymore than heterosexuality is. Just as I was born green-eyed and left-handed, so are homosexuals born with their sexual orientation. So, therefore, if my eye color or handedness is not a moral issue how can an inborn sexual orientation be a moral issue? Thanks for a provocative question.

Mom

We welcome and encourage readers' questions of course, but we also would appreciate any comments or further amplification on our answers. We are here to learn too.

Mom and Dad

If you or your parents have questions for our "A Parent Connection" please send them to "A Parent Connection," c/o MGW Newspaper 1725 L Street CA 95814.▼

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## calendar

### DECEMBER

#### ▼ 1 - Sunday

**Sacramento Symphony**, Giuseppe Lanzetta conductor, Neil Tatman oboe, Wagner, Rochberg and Schumann.

**Names Project Quilt**, Napa Fairgrounds, Chardonnay Hall.

**World AIDS Day Service of Remembrance**, The Restoration Church of Jesus Christ, 7 pm, 444-8291.

**Christian Community Fellowship**, 2pm, Wreck Room community meeting room, Sacramento of the Lord's Supper, no offering, continues every Sunday, 731-7260.

**Day Without Art**, Craft & Folk Art Museum, Wilshire/Fairfax May Co. Exhibition continues through Dec. 29., For info call 937-5544.

**"Broadway Bound"**, Sacramento City Actors Theatre, Art Court Theatre, Sacramento City College, matinee 2pm, 3835 Freeport Blvd, \$7, 449-7228.

#### ▼ 2 - Monday

**Affirmation**, United Methodists for Gay and Lesbian Concerns, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Social Hall, 7 pm, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 489-2340.

**The Nutcracker Suite Ballet** begins, Sacramento Ballet, 449-5181 or 736-2860.

#### ▼ 3 - Tuesday

**Illusionist Jim Bailey & Phyllis Diller**, The York Hotel's Plush Room, San Francisco, to benefit AIDS Health Project of Univ. California San Francisco, \$25.

#### ▼ 5 - Thursday

**Dale Scholl Dance/Art Studio Jam**, two performances 7 pm & 8:30 pm, La Sierra Community Center, Suite 515, 5325 Engle Road, Carmichael, reservations recommended, 483-4017.

#### ▼ 6 - Friday

**An evening of comedy with Kate Clinton**, Crest Theatre, 8 pm show, 442-5189, tickets available at BASS and Judy's Bookstore.

**Dale Scholl Dance/Art Studio Jam**, two performances 7 pm & 8:30 pm, see Thursday 5th.

**"The Magical Music Of Christmas"**, a Christmas Decor show with trees, wreaths, fireplace treatments, etc., craft sales, Sacramento Arrangers Guild and Sacramento Garden and Arts Center, at Shepard Garden and Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., 10 am-5 pm, 487-6151 or 487-5898.

**"Broadway Bound"**, Sacramento City Actors Theatre, Art Court Theatre, Sacramento City College, 8pm, 3835 Freeport Blvd, \$7, 449-7228.

#### ▼ 7 - Saturday

**"The Magical Music Of Christmas"**, (see Friday 6).

**RCDC organizational retreat**

**Women's Flag Football**, Highlands Sport Complex, Our Team vs Bruised Belly Buttons, 10 am; Sharks vs Hittin' Misses, 11 am; Waves vs Tight Ends, 12 pm, Options Bye

**Dale Scholl Dance/Art Studio Jam**, two performances 7 pm & 8:30 pm, see Thursday 5th.

**Snow White Champagne Ball**, Privately at Lincoln Plaza Atrium, 8 pm, \$35 advance, \$45 at door, 441-6397.

**The Animal's Christmas**, open house at Galt Animal Sanctuary, Galt, CA, 12 noon-4pm, (209) 745-2606.

**Carol Attee, Susan Goodban, Barbara Milman: Ceramics, Paper & Paint**, Dec 6-Jan 10, Reception Dec. 7, 7-9pm, Matrix Gallery, 1725 I Street, 441-4818.

**Santa's Pet Christmas Photos**, 1-5pm, Lambda Center, L and 20th, Bring your pets for Santa's Lap!!

**"Broadway Bound"**, (See Dec. 6)

#### ▼ 8 - Sunday

**Hanukkah Party**, New Jewish Agenda, Knights of Columbus Hall, 5961 Newman Court, 5-8:30 pm, Bring friends, a menorah to light, kids and a vegetarian dish for 6, 448-4574.

**"The Magical Music Of Christmas"**, (see Friday 6).

#### ▼ 13 - Friday

**"A Chanticleer Christmas"**, Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Dec. 13, 8pm, 920-1121.

**"Holiday Affaire"**, Sacramento Women's Chorus, 8pm, Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1500 Park Ave. (at West Acre) West Sac, \$5, 424-4411.

**"Broadway Bound"**, (See Dec. 6)

#### ▼ 14 - Saturday

**The Conference**, a Sacramento summit to discuss ongoing response to Wilson's AB-101 veto, MCC, Glenn 739-6757.

**Women's Flag Football**, Highlands Sport Complex, Waves vs Options, 10 am; Shaves vs Our Team, 11 am; Hittin' Misses

**"Ceremony of Lessons and Carols"**, Sacramento Men's Chorus, 8 pm, \$8, First United Methodist Church, 2100 J Street, 444-5213.

**Women's Flag Football**, Highlands Sport Complex, Tight Ends vs Bruised Belly Buttons, 10 am; Sharks vs Options, 11 am; Waves vs Hittin' Misses, 12 pm, Our Team Bye

#### ▼ 22 - Sunday

**"Ceremony of Lessons and Carols"**, 3 pm, (see Saturday 21).

#### ▼ 28 - Saturday

**Women's Flag Football**, Highlands Sport Complex, Tight Ends vs Hittin' Misses, 10 am; Waves vs Bruised Belly Buttons, 11

#### ▼ 11 - Saturday

**Women's Flag Football Tournament**, Highlands Sport Complex

### ▼ THEATRE

**"The Glass Menagerie"**, The Show Below, 2130 L Street, Nov 8-Dec 14, 8 pm, 2 pm, Sun, \$12, 446-2787.

**"Say It With Music"**, Rosemary Clooney and Michael Feinstein, Dec 11-Jan 5, 8 pm, Curran Theatre, San Francisco, 415-956-4781.

**"Broadway Bound"**, Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, Nov. 22-Jan 12, 985-6361.

**Leesha Divar** (Singing, Comedy), Our Place, Thursday Nights, 8:30-10:30 pm, 649-8420.

**Judy Fjell with Crystal Reeves**, The Palms in Davis, Dec. 7, 8 pm, 756-9901.

**Neil Simon's "Broadway Bound"**, Garbeau's Dinner Theatre in Rancho Cordova, Nov 22-Jan 12, 985-6361.

**"Push Comes to Shove"**, A gay comedy by Terry Maloney, Arena Theatre, Univ of Calif, Davis, Dec. 5-8, 8 pm, matinees Sat. & Sun 2 pm, 752-0888.

**"A Chanticleer Christmas"**, Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Dec. 13, 8pm, 920-1121.

### ▼ GALLERIES

**"Beyond the Java Sea: Art of Indonesia's Outer Islands"**, M.H. deYoung Museum, SF, thru Jan 1, 415-750-3636.

**"Recent Acquisitions of the Achenbach"**, Foundation for Graphic Arts, Part Two: 1950-1991, M.H. deYoung Museum, SF, thru Dec. 8, 415-750-3636.

**Himovitz Miller Gallery**, "Creatures and Dolls", Beth Van Hossen, Nov 22-Dec 24, 550 Pavillions Lane, 925-5917.

**Spectrum Himovitz Gallery**, Pinkerton, Faulkner and Ayhens, Nov 6-Jan 4, 511 Harrison, San Francisco, 415-495-1113.

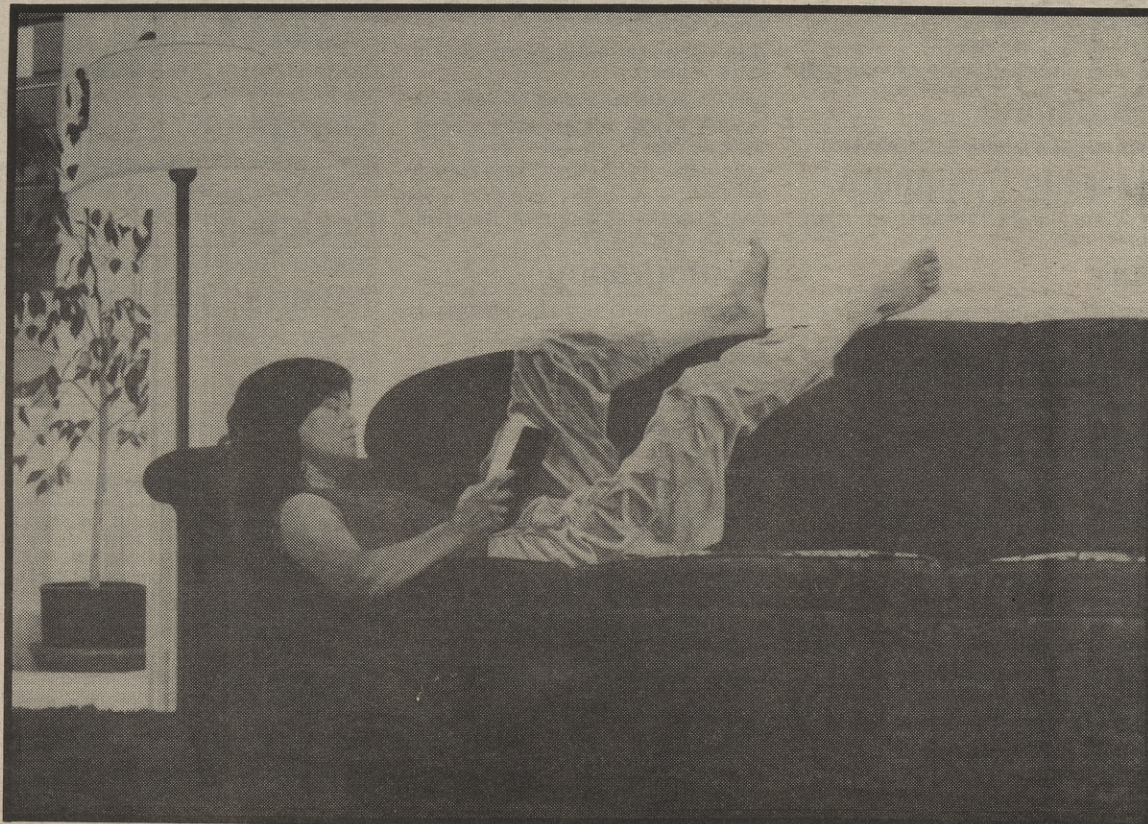
**Theatre in Revolution: Russian Avant-Garde Stage Design 1913-1935**, M.H. deYoung Museum, SF, Nov. 9-Feb 16, 1992, 415-750-3636

**Joyce Abreu Gallery**, Will Kissmer, Christel Verhalen, Neil Korpi, Aquatine-Mezzotone-Enching Artist, 3712 Auburn Blvd, Thru Jan 92.

**Crocker Art Museum**, Wed thru Sun., 10 am-5 pm. Extended hours Thurs til 9 pm 1421 K Street, 449-6711.

**Clayworks Group Show**, Nov. 25-Dec. 20, University Union Exhibit Lounge, CSUS, 278-6595.

**Clayton Pinkerton, Julian Faulkner, Olive M. Ayhens**, Nov. 6-Jan 4, Spectrum Himovitz Gallery, 511 Harrison Street (At First), SF, 415-495-1113, Call for gallery hours, Artist Reception: Nov 6, 5:30-8 pm.



Artist Lenore Chinns': *Walt Whitman's Recitat* at the One Scott Street in San Francisco.

**1993 March On Washington**, Town Meeting, Eureka Valley Recreational Center, 100 Collingwood (at 18th), San Francisco, 510-655-4486.

**March on Washington '93**, N. Cal organizational meeting, San Francisco, Nancy at 351-0582.

**"Another Perspective..."**, B/W Photographs, Jane Hollaway, Opening Dec 8, Noon-5pm, thru December, Under Glass Gallery, 123 Townsend St. (between 2nd & 3rd), San Francisco, 415-777-0605.

#### ▼ 10 - Tuesday

**Classical Christmas Pops Concert**, Sacramento Symphony, Community Center Theater, 7:30 pm, 449-5181.

#### ▼ 11 - Wednesday

**Holiday Reception**, Business Alliance of Networking Gays (BANG), 7 pm, Lite Rail Gallery, 918 12th Street, 863-2518.

**"A Rare Event"**, The Great Sacramento Rare Book & Ephemera Show & Sale, Sacramento Community Center, Exhibit Hall C, 443-6223.

#### ▼ 12 - Thursday

**Romanovsky & Phillips in concert**, Crest Theatre, 442-5189, Tickets available at BASS, Lioness Books & Judy's Books.

vs Bruised Belly Buttons, 12 pm, Tight Ends Bye

**"Holiday Affaire"**, Sacramento Women's Chorus, 8pm, St Paul's Methodist Church, (corner of Monte Vista & West), Vacaville, \$5, 424-4411.

**Bay Area Career Women**, Modesto, Holiday Brunch 11am-2pm, 209-527-8237.

**"Broadway Bound"**, (See Dec. 6)

#### ▼ 15 - Sunday

**Faces Christmas Party**, Banquet, Entertainment, 6 pm Free.

#### ▼ 17 - Tuesday

**"Sing-Along Messiah"**, Sacramento Symphony, 7:30 pm, Community Center Theater, 14th & L, \$15, 923-BASS.

**SLCC Meeting**, 7 pm, Lambda Center, 448-3130.

#### ▼ 20 - Friday

**The Sacramento Master Singers**, Holiday Concert, 8pm, in St. Francis Church, 26th & K Streets, \$6 advance, \$8 at door, 967-2762 or 925-3159.

#### ▼ 21 - Saturday

**The Sacramento Master Singers**, (See Dec. 20.)

am; Our Team vs Options, 12 pm, Sharks Bye

#### ▼ 31 - Tuesday

**New Year's Eve Gala**, Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, 60's music, \$97.50, Gourmet Dinner Menu, 985-6361.

**March On Washington**, April 25, 1993. Plan to be there!

## JANUARY

#### ▼ 4 - Saturday

**Women's Flag Football**, Highlands Sport Complex, Sharks vs Bruised Belly Buttons, 10 am; Our Team vs Hittin' Misses, 11 am; Tight Ends vs Options, 12 pm, Waves Bye

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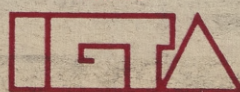
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